## Mayor Mallory's Message for the Week, December 18, 2006

## City Budget to be Finalized This Week

This week, City Council will finalize the \$1.2 billion City Budget for 2007 and 2008.

On Monday, the Council's Finance Committee is holding a working session to consider changes and amendments to the Budget that I presented them, which included the City Manager's recommended budget and my changes to that budget.

On Tuesday night, there is one final public budget hearing:

 Public Hearing on the City Budget Tuesday, December 19, 6:00 pm City Hall, Council Chambers

This will be the last opportunity to for the public to have input on the City Budget. The budget will go to the full Council for a vote on Wednesday at 2:00 pm in Council Chambers.

I have laid out a very clear vision for what I believe is the best course for the city Budget and the future of the City.

Today, I wrote a column that appeared in the Cincinnati Enquirer about how my vision connects to the priorities set forth in the United Way's State of the Community Report. I also have heard from hundreds of citizens both at three public forums and in countless e-mails and letters.

I invite you to read my column below and the Enquirer's editorial from today as well. I am very optimistic that Council and I will come together on a common vision for the city Budget that set us on the path for a stronger healthier Cincinnati.

- Mayor Mark Mallory

Read the Mayor's Column about the connection between the United Way's Community Report and the City Budget from Monday's Cincinnati Enquirer <a href="http://news.enquirer.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20061218/EDIT/612180348/1090">http://news.enquirer.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20061218/EDIT/612180348/1090</a>

Read the Enquirer's Editorial about the United Way's Community Report in today's paper

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